

**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of Docket No: Q76899

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Appln. No.: 10/684,684 Group Art Unit: 3679

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For: STRUCTURE AND METHOD OF COUPLING SHAFT MEMBER AND CYLINDRICAL MEMBER

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

**MAIL STOP AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 14, 2006, within the shortened statutory period extended by three months on the basis of the accompanying petition and fee, please amend the above-identified application as follows on the accompanying pages.

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